

Tuesday (01/10/2012) Briefings

08:30	Intro and MACS Overview
09:4	Break
10:00	MACS/ADRS simulation architecture and integration with ATOS and TMA
11.0	Simulation Manager and Flight Deck Stations
12:0	Lunch
1:00	Basic Air Traffic Control Operations.
1:30	Using MACS to simulate near-term air traffic control operations. Focus ATD-1, Center/TRACON workstations, Scheduling, CMS
2:45	Break
3:00	Using MACS to simulate far-term automated air traffic control operations. Focus on Separation Assurance
3:45	Developing MACS Software
4:30	End of day



MACS/ADRS simulation architecture and integration with ATOS and TMA

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MACS Capabilities

Air traffic simulator /target generator



Multi aircraft autonomous agent



Multi aircraft control flight deck



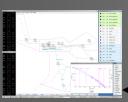
Single aircraft flight deck (B777 style)

Traffic and weather



generation

Experiment control



Data collection Analysis

Aeronautical Datalink and Radar Simulator (ADRS) comm. network

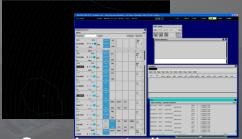


Traffic flow and airspace management workstations

Center controller workstation (DSR)



TRACON controller workstation (STARS)

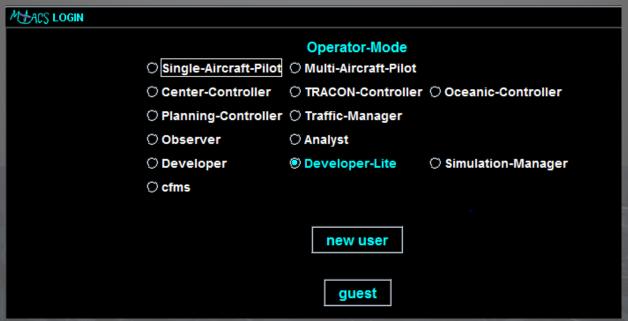


Oceanic controller workstation (ATOP/Ocean21)



MACS Operator Modes

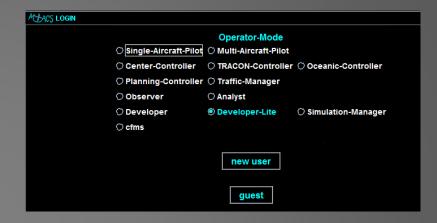
- Each MACS station runs the same software
- The Operator-Mode decides which functions (threads) and windows are enabled
- Only one operator mode can be selected for each station
- MACS stations running different operator modes are networked for a distributed simulation





MACS Operator Modes

- Real-time distributed simulation
 - Pilots
 - Single Aircraft Pilot
 - Multi Aircraft Pilot
 - Controllers
 - Center-Controller
 - TRACON-Controller
 - Oceanic Controller
 - Traffic Management and Area Supervisors
 - Planning Controller
 - Traffic Manager
 - Experiment Control
 - Simulation Manager
 - Data Collection
 - Observer
 - Analyst



- Standalone simulation for software and scenario development
 - Developer
 - ALL capabilities
 - Developer-Lite
 - All capabilities except for Oceanic Controller
- Special mode for MACS acting as FMS for CDTI (don't use!)
 - cfms

/target generator

Air traffic simulator Operator Modes/Simulation





Multi-Aircraft-Pilot



Experiment



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○ TRACON-Controller

TRACON controller

workstation (STARS)

Multi aircraft control flight deck



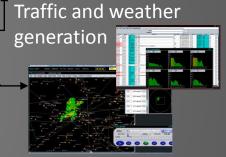
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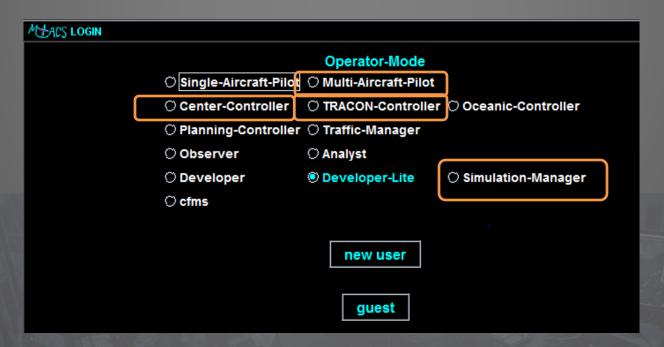


Traffic flow and airspace management workstations



MACS Operator Modes

- A typical Center/TRACON simulation (ATD-1) uses
 - Simulation-Manager
 - Multi-Aircraft Pilot
 - Center-Controller
 - TRACON Controller



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Typical Operator Modes (e.g. ATD-1)



Experiment control/target generator

Multi aircraft control flight deck and autonomous agent/Target generator

Multi-Aircraft-Pilot



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TRACON controller workstation (STARS)

Simulation Manager

ADRS

Operator-Mode

Single-Aircraft-Pild Multi-Aircraft-Pilot
Center-Controller TRACON-Controller
Planning-Controller Traffic-Manager
Observer Analyst
Developer
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Developer-Lite
Traffic-Manager
Simulation-Manager
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TRACON-Controller

Multi-Aircraft

Pilot

ATC

Center-Controller

AIRSPACE OPERATIONS LAB



PILOT

Simulation Manager

- Specifies the scenario
- Launches the simulation
- Initializes all aircraft
- Simulates all aircraft that are not simulated anywhere else

Multi-Aircraft Pilot

ADRS



ATC



TRACON-Controller

Multi-Aircraft Pilot

Simulates all aircraft according to its config file Provides quick entry mechanisms for pseudo pilot

 Provides only flight deck displays and setup panels

Operator-Mode

Single-Aircraft-Pilot
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ADRS

ATC

Center-Controller

TRACON-Controller Simulation Manager Multi-Aircraft Pilot

TRACON-

Controller

ADRS

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Developer Developer-Lite Simulation-Manager
cfms

new user

guest

Center-Controller Provides only Center controller(DSR) ATC displays and setup panels Provides flight data entry

Provides flight data entry mechanisms for Center - Controllers



PILOT

Simulation Manager

ADRS

Operator-Mode
Single-Aircraft-Pilot
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ATC

Center-Controller

TRACON-Controller

Multi-Aircraft

Pilot

- Provides only TRACON controller(STARS) ATC displays and setup panels
- Provides flight data entry mechanisms for TRACON
 -Controllers



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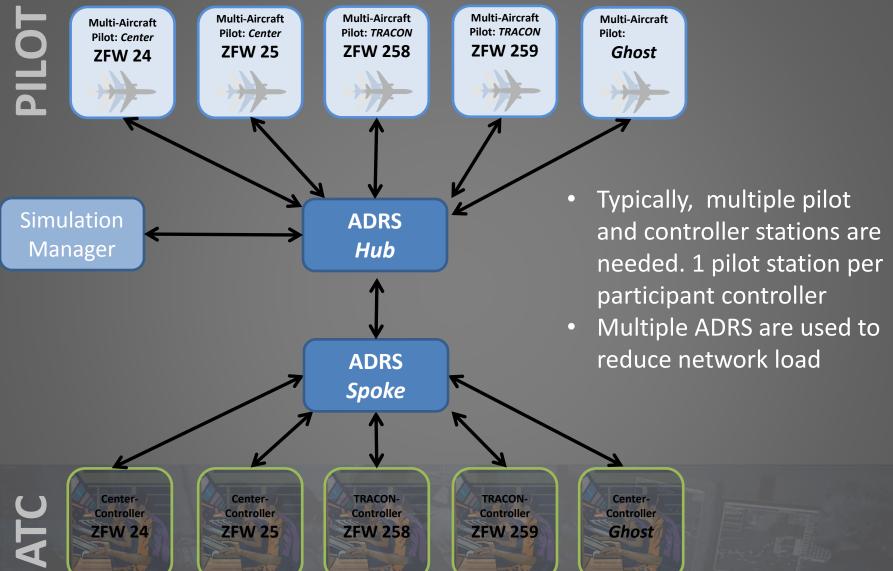
Provides flight data entry mechanisms for Center - Controllers

TRACON-Controller Provides only TRACON controller(STARS) ATC displays and setup panels

Provides flight data entry mechanisms for TRACON -Controllers

Configuration with MACS/ADRS (e.g. CMS research*)





^{*}actual number of pilot and controller stations : usually 8+ pilot, 3 center, 4-5 TRACON, 1 Tower

Standard Information Flow



MACS Pilot Station / Flight Simulator

ADRS

MACS-Controller

Workstation

Initial filed flight plan Flight State Active trajectory

Active trajectory
ADS-B data (state and autopilot
targets)

CPDLC Requests/Resp

SURVEILLANCE

Radar Tracks ADS-B state data

FLIGHT OBJECTS

Filed and amended flight plan
Flight data inputs: altitude, heading,
speed, text, RTA, STA, spacing, track
control, handoff, point out, TOC, CPDLC
eligibility, equipage...
Reported trajectory
ADS-B flight control system targets

TRANSACTIONS

CPDLC Requests/Responses

Traffic ADS-B data (state and autopilot targets)
Traffic trajectories (ADS-A, B, C)
CPDLC Carances/Trajectories/Frequency
Changes/Responses/Free text /...

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TRANSACTIONS

Controller and/or automation amendments: routing, altitude, heading, speed, text, RTA, STA, spacing, track control, handoff, point out, TOC, CPDLC eligibility, equipage...

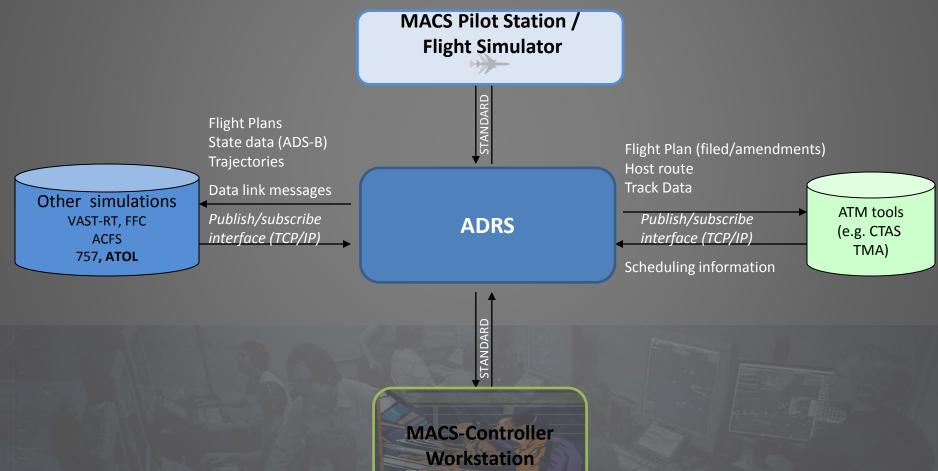
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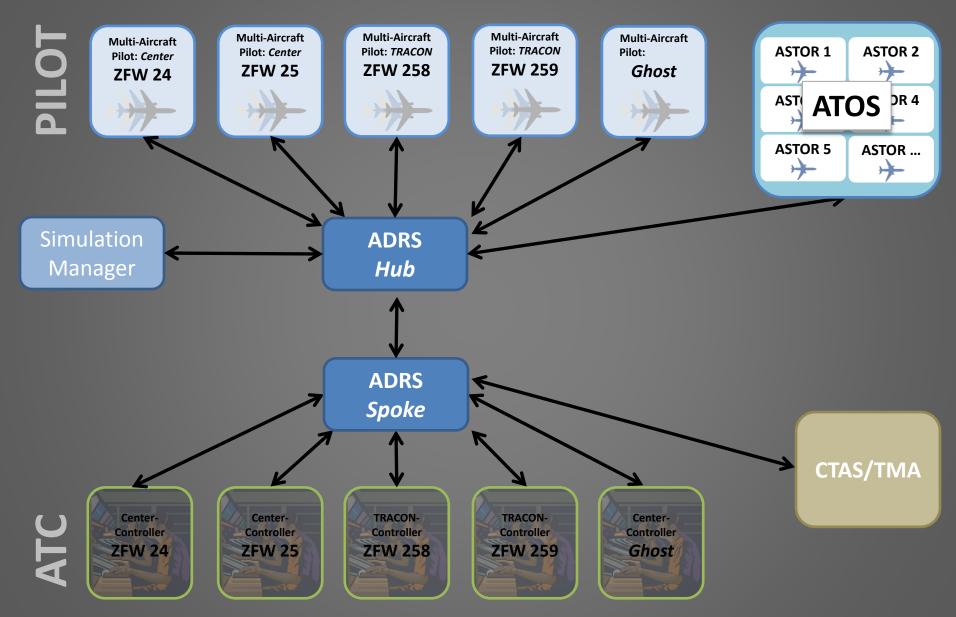
MACS Interface with Other Systems

All communication is handled by one or more networked ADRS processes

The ADRS provides publish/subscribe interfaces for MACS, other simulators and tools and maintains the entire state of the simulation

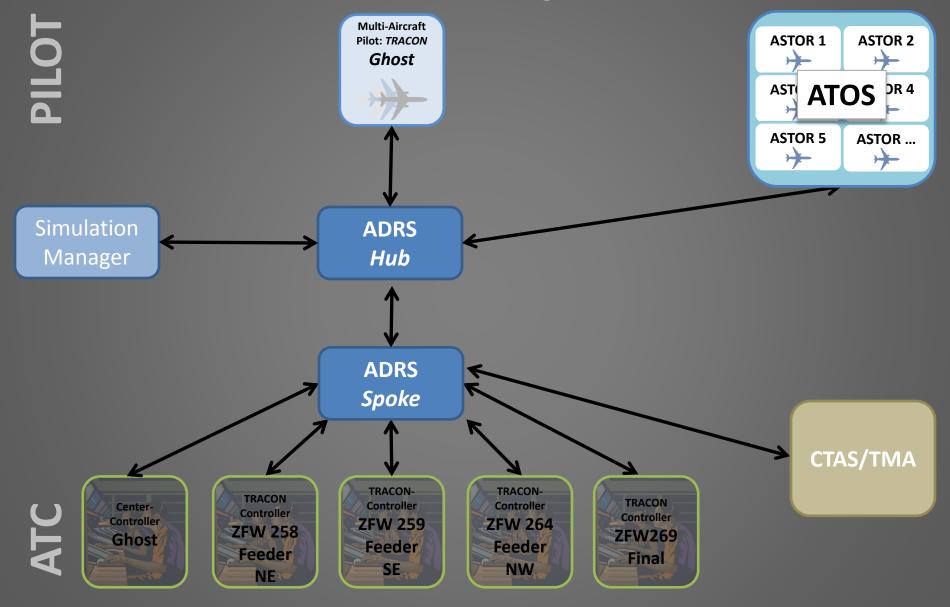


Integrated Configuration with MACS/ADRS/ATOS/TMA (ATD-1)

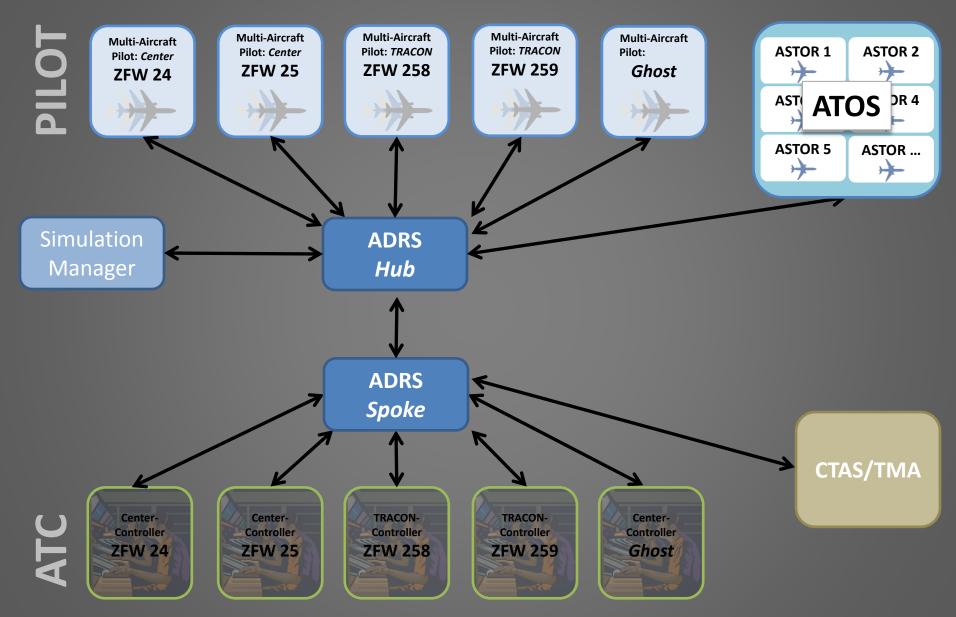


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Possible Initial ATOL Configuration for ATD1



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Questions?